



Music In The Air

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01/26- ***Curtains***

860.489.7180

\$ 20-34

02/03 From the Creators of “Chicago” and “Cabaret” comes the Tony Award winning CURTAINS, featuring a stage struck detective who theatrically solves the opening night disappearance of the leading lady. “A dexterous blend of sendup and valentine” - New York Times. F/Sa 8:00p; Su 2:00p

Nancy Marine Studio Theatre, 68 Main Street
Torrington

<http://www.warnertheatre.org>

02/01 ***John Mayall***

860-542-5531

\$70-90

8:00p John Mayall is a pioneering English blues singer, songwriter, guitarist, keyboard player and harmonica player and is often referred to as the “Father of the British blues.” His well-known band is still called John Mayall & The Bluesbreakers and they started out in the late 1950s in England, using Chicago style blues as a starting basis for their sound, which has evolved from album to album. And while at one point John Mayall was playing a fairly jazzy sound, he has always come back to the blues. John Mayall stands out for several reasons - his standing up for the blues, while experimenting with different approaches, his ability to attract the best of musicians; and perhaps most notably his willingness to work with musicians who far outshine him in sheer ability. And he himself sounds very good!

Infinity Hall, Rt. 44
Norfolk

<http://www.infinityhall.com>

02/01- ***Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat***

860.489.7180

\$ 20-34

02/03 This timeless retelling of the Biblical story of Joseph, a handsome young man who is his father's favorite child, is a musical theatre favorite, and Andrew Lloyd Webber's first musical. Written originally as a musical for a children's day school, it has become one of the most performed musicals of all time. F/Sa 8:00p; Su 2:00p.

Warner Theatre, 68 Main Street
Torrington

<http://www.warnertheatre.org>

- 02/02 **Monthly Drum Circle** 860-294-1156 \$ 10 donation
 10-11a Join Group Empowerment Facilitator Dave Reynolds for our monthly drum circle. Instruction included in circle, so all levels welcomed and challenged. Bring your own drum or request one be provided for you when you register. Preregistration is required to ensure drum circle happens
 The Phoenix Rising Center, 135 South Main Street; 1st floor of Seth Thomas Clock Tower
 Thomaston
- 02/02 **Romie de Guise–Langlois** 860-868-2527 \$30; \$15 students
 7:00p the 2013 season of its renowned concert series, "Saturdays at Seven," with a performance on by the celebrated young virtuoso clarinetist, Romie de Guise–Langlois, who has appeared as both soloist and chamber musician on major concert stages throughout the world.
 St. John Episcopal Church, 78 Green Hill Road [Event Website.](#)
 Washington
- 02/02 **Pearl and the Beard** \$25
 7:30p Pearl and the Beard is three voices, one cello, one guitar, one glockenspiel, one melodica, several drums, one accordion, ninety-six teeth and one soul. Come and experience what everyone is talking about!! Reception at 7:00, concert at 7:30.
 Beekley Library, 10 Central Avenue www.beekleylibrary.org
 New Hartford
- 02/02 **Romeo and Juliet** 203.346.2002 \$38-58
 7:30p The State Ballet Theatre of Russia from the city of Voronezh brings the tale of two star-crossed lovers to glorious new life in this breathtaking production of S. Prokofiev's beloved ballet, *Romeo & Juliet*. This company of 65 distinguished dancers has showcased the unparalleled art of Russian ballet to audiences across the world, and now they are bringing an evening of enchantment to Waterbury.
 Palace Theater, 100 East Main Street <http://www.palacetheatrect.org/>
 Waterbury
- 02/02 **Mark Ingram Performs!** (860)868-0518 \$12 adult \$ 6 kids
 1:00p **Kalimba Harp, Bamboo Flute, Marimba** reservations required
Black History Month concert
 Celebrate the universal language of music! Through perform-ance, discussion and demonstration local Roxbury resident and musician, **Mark Ingram of African American and Cherokee descent**, tells the history and evolution of musical instruments through time. Using handmade traditional instruments such as log drums, animal hide drums, marimbas, flutes, kalimbas, banjo and many more Mark weaves a fun exploration of Afri-can-American history, nature, music and art. If you missed this event last year, this is the perfect opportunity to catch it this time!
 The Institute for American Indian Studies Museum and Research Center, 38 Curtis Road
 Washington
- 02/02 **Blue Oyster Cult** (203) 438-5795 \$70
 8:00p Legendary hard rock band Blue Öyster Cult returns to The Ridgefield Playhouse! New York natives, BÖC's satirical lyrics are the catalyst of their explosive hits. Known for cult classics "(Don't Fear) The Reaper," "Godzilla," and "Burnin' for You," their unique science fiction influenced music has lasted longer than three decades. Get ready for a night of sleek hard rock with band members Eric Bloom, Donald "buck Dharma" Roeser, Kasim Sulton, Richie Castellano and Jule Radino.
 Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>
 Ridgefield

- 02/02 ***The Kennedys*** 203-272-8404 \$15-17
 7:30p In a career that now spans two decades, Maura and Pete Kennedy have traversed a broad musical landscape. On their new release, "Closer Than You Know", The Kennedys strike out into new territory, inspired by a sojourn in Paris, where they immersed themselves in the turn of another century, the time when Debussy and Ravel were inventing the sonic palette of modern music. Always tuned to their own muse, Pete and Maura have once again come up with a unique sound that is as uplifting as it is unclassifiable. The Universalist Church of West Hartford, 433 Fern Street West Hartford <http://www.folknotes.org/>
- 02/02 ***Kashmir – The Ultimate Led Zeppelin Tribute*** 860-542-5531 \$30-45
 8:00p Kashmir, the nation's #1 Led Zeppelin tribute show, it is the most authentic representation of Led Zeppelin on the modern national touring scene. Each of the 4 band members assumes their individual role with pinpoint accuracy. Kashmir possesses the live stage show, sound, and likeness to bring audiences and fans back to the days when the mighty Led Zeppelin ruled the musical landscape. With the playlist of every classic rock station and the most identifiable voice in rock history, Kashmir's show features Page's iconic double-neck guitar, Bonham's drum solo, the stage show of the era, and most importantly, the greatest hits that make up the soundtrack to peoples' lives. Infinity Hall, Rt. 44 <http://www.infinityhall.com>
 Norfolk
- 02/05 ***Open Mic hosted by Chris Ellis*** (860) 350 5995 Free?
 8:30p 59 Bank Street
 New Milford
- 02/07 ***10,000 Maniacs*** 860-542-5531 \$80-100
 8:00p 10,000 Maniacs were and remain, without a doubt, one of the most influential Alternative Pop/Rock bands to have ever released a record on a major label. This is one of the bands you must see and hear live. Their long list of hits include "Because the Night", "These are the Days", "Jealousy" "Like the Weather", "More than This" and many, many, more. Writing and performing powerful, danceable, and socially conscious original material in and around their hometown of Jamestown, NY, the group toured extensively
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44 <http://www.infinityhall.com>
 Norfolk
- 02/07 ***All Jazz First Thursdays*** 203-753-0381x10 \$ 7-15
 5:30p- ***Earl MacDonald & The Creative Opportunity Workshop***
 Earl MacDonald lives jazz, as a performer, composer and educator. Currently Associate Professor and Director of Jazz Studies at the University of Connecticut, he earned a bachelor of music degree in jazz performance at McGill University and a master of music degree at Rutgers, where he apprenticed with Kenny Barron. The band's unique instrumentation (cello, saxophone, piano and percussion) was chosen as a means to escape the predictability found in the more typical jazz instrumentations. With no bass, new challenges are presented to both the performer and composer.
[Mattatuck Museum](#), 144 West Main Street
 Waterbury
- 02/07 ***Open Mic with Eran Troy Danner*** 203-753-2233 Free
 7-10p City Limits, 2627 Thomaston Ave <http://www.citylimitsct.com/>
 Waterbury

- 02/07 **Steve Tyrell** (203) 438-5795 \$50
 8:00p Grammy Award-winning vocalist. With his breakthrough performances in "Father of the Bride" and "Father of the Bride II," Steve Tyrell reinvented and re-popularized classic pop standards for a modern day audience. With the grit and soul of a lifetime of experiences, producing hits for Grammy-winning Artists ranging from Linda Ronstadt and Aaron Neville, to Rod Stewart and Diana Ross, Steve himself has sold hundreds of thousands of albums and gained a passionate following all over the world. His hits "The Way You Look Tonight," "The Simple Life," "Crush On You" and "The Sunny Side of The Street," have launched thousands of weddings and millions of romances. He's held top positions at Standards, Swing, and Big Band outlets.
 Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>
 Ridgefield
- 02/07 **Coffeehouse- Kristen Graves** 203-837-9700 Free/Donations
 8:00p Coffeehouse includes open mic performers at 8 p.m., followed by the featured act, Kristen Graves, at 9 p.m. Alumni Hall on the university's Midtown campus, 181 White St.
 Danbury <http://wcsu.edu/newsevents/events.asp>
- 02/08 **Ian Hunter** 860-542-5531 \$59-72
 8:00p "All the young dudes, Carry the news"... Who doesn't remember this anthem?! As leader of '70s British rock legends Mott the Hoople and as a hugely influential solo artist, Ian Hunter is widely revered as one of rock 'n' roll's most compelling performers and one of its most articulate songwriters. As the author of such immortal anthems as "All the Way from Memphis," "Once Bitten, Twice Shy" and "Cleveland Rocks," and the voice of such landmark albums as Mott the Hoople's All The Young Dudes and Mott and the solo recordings Ian Hunter and You're Never Alone with a Schizophrenic, he remains a hero to fans and fellow musicians around the world. "It's been 40-odd years, and it's been a great ride," he concludes. "It's still fun for me, and at my age, that's a good place to be. I'm still messin' about, so we'll see what happens."
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44 <http://www.infinityhall.com>
 Norfolk
- 02/08 **Cabin Fever Dance** 860-868-0569 ?
 7:0p All ages are welcome
 Wersebe Hall of the First Congegational Church on the Green, 6 Kirby Road,
 Washington [Event Website](#)
- 02/08- **Much Ado About Love** (860) 491-9988 \$20
 02/09 Come in on a cold winter night for the hottest ticket in town! Sold out runs in 2011 and 2012 have audiences clamoring for more! Get your tickets early for the most unique, live Valentine show in Litchfield County.
 8:00p Much Ado About Love is a romp through music, humor and passion. Candle-lit tables, cabaret seating and talented performers mean that tickets will go fast - reserve *your* table early!
 Old Goshen Town Hall, , 2 North Street
 Goshen
- 02/08 **Pianist John Perry in Concert** (860) 435-2591 Free
 7:00p Professor Emeritus at University of Southern California Thornton School of Music and distinguished pianist will perform.
 Hotchkiss School, Katherine M. Elfers Hall, Esther Eastman Music Center
 Lakeville

- 02/08 ***Rat Pack Show*** 203.346.2002 \$30-50
 8:00p They were style with substance, swing with swagger and a non-stop party that everyone wanted to access. Celebrating 50 years of The Rat Pack, *Sandy Hackett's Rat Pack Show* has been hailed as the next best thing to seeing the Rat Pack themselves. Experience this critically acclaimed, hugely entertaining theatrical production, which includes exciting new arrangements of the classic songs everyone knows and loves. In addition, audiences will hear original, never-before-heard songs written by the late, legendary songwriter, Ron Miller ("For Once In My Life"), and recorded voiceovers made exclusively for this show by Sandy Hackett's father, the late, legendary comedian, Buddy Hackett. Relive the music, comedy and unexpected surprises of what defined cool... The Rat Pack! You never know who is going to stop by!
 Palace Theater, 100 East Main Street <http://www.palacetheatrect.org/>
 Waterbury
- 02/09 ***Benefit Dance*** 203-837-9700 \$20; \$10 students
 8:00p The Sigma Chi Fraternity and the WCSU Department of Music will host a benefit featuring live music, dancing and hors d'oeuvres. All proceeds from ticket sales will benefit a charitable organization that supports the Sandy Hook community.
 Ballroom of Campus Center on the university's Midtown campus, 181 White St.
 Danbury <http://wcsu.edu/newsevents/events.asp>
- 02/09 ***Johnny Winter*** (203) 438-5795 \$47
 8:00p Johnny Winter has been a guitar hero without equal. Signing to Columbia records in 1969 called largest solo artist deal of its time, Johnny immediately laid out the blueprint for his fresh take on classic blues a prime combination for the legions of fans just discovering the blues via the likes of Jimmy Page and Eric Clapton. Constantly shifting between simple country blues in the vein of Robert Johnson, to all-out electric slide guitar blues-rock, Johnny has always been one of the most respected singers and guitar players in rock, and the clear link between British blues-rock and American Southern rock (a la the Allman Brothers and Lynyrd Skynyrd). Throughout the '70s and '80s, Johnny was the unofficial torch-bearer for the blues, championing and aiding the careers of his idols like Muddy Waters and John Lee Hooker. Winters' recent Grammy nominated *I'm A Bluesman* has only added to his Texas-sized reputation. Performing now with a renewed vigor and fire – to say that he is "back" would be an understatement. In fact, he never left. He is just better than ever
 Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>
 Ridgefield
- 02/09 ***A Smooth Jazz Affair*** 203.346.2002 \$20 advance until 2/1
 5-10p ACTJamsProductions.com presents **A Smooth Jazz Affair** hosted by the one and only Blue Plate Radio/ On-Air Personality **Al "DJ ACT" Taylor!** The night will kick-off with the captivating sounds of the **Earl Whitaker Band** and will also feature a performance by inspiring vocalist **Georgia Davis**. **Hors d'oeuvres** and exclusive ACTJams **drink specials** will be available all night, and after the performances, guests are encouraged to take to the dance floor as **"DJ ACT"** spins everyone's favorite R&B hits from the '80s -'90s
 Palace Theater, 100 East Main Street <http://www.palacetheatrect.org/>
 Waterbury
- 02/09 ***Ridgefield Symphony Orchestra*** 203-438-3889 \$25-60
 8:00p Come swing to the Big Band sounds of Glenn Miller and Tommy Dorsey. Greatest hits from the 40's include *In the Mood*, *Chattanooga Choo Choo*, *Sing, Sing, Sing* and *Moonlight Serenade*.
 Anne S. Richardson Auditorium, Ridgefield High School, 700 North Salem Road
 Ridgefield

- 02/09 ***The Pink Floyd Experience*** 203.346.2002 \$25-45
 8:00p The PINK FLOYD EXPERIENCE is much more than just a flawless recreation of the legendary songs that spanned decades in their appeal. PFX echoes everything that made Pink Floyd one of Rock & Roll's greatest icons. It's a celebration of the music, the themes and the innovation that this great band brought to fans around the world. It is Pink Floyd, up close and personal without losing the scope and power of their performance. Featuring a spectacular light and HD video show, full quadraphonic sound, a flying pig blimp and six outstanding musicians, PFX brings you the most authentic Floyd experience possible with note-for-note recreations of your favorite songs including, "Money", "Comfortably Numb," "Run Like Hell" & more
 Palace Theater, 100 East Main Street <http://www.palacetheatrect.org/>
 Waterbury
- 02/09 ***Soul Sound Revue*** 860-542-5531 \$29-30
 8:00p Soul Sound Revue, by far the hottest Motown show this side of Detroit, performs the greatest hits in the true "Motown Tradition". Soul Sound Revue recreates the dynamic vocal harmonies and musical stylings of classic Motown groups of the sixties, seventies, and eighties: The Four Tops, The Temptations, Stevie Wonder, The Supremes, and many more. With the popular resurgence of the seventies, eighties, and nineties, Soul Sound Revue currently performs the most popular dance hits spanning four decades.
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44 <http://www.infinityhall.com>
 Norfolk
- 02/09 ***Steve Gillette & Cindy Mangsen*** 203-272-8404 \$15-17
 7:30p Steve and Cindy have been performing together for over 20 years, bringing together their love of traditional music and their wealth of original songs. Accompanying themselves with guitars and concertinas, their live performances are known for rich harmony, compelling songs and a good dose of humor. Their five duet albums have appeared on many folk Top Ten lists, from the WFMT Midnight Special (Chicago) to The Boston Globe. "Their voices and their styles meld seamlessly with a gentleness and a maturity that is unmatched in the world of folk duos," says Folk Alley DJ Matt Watroba.
 The Universalist Church of West Hartford, 433 Fern Street
 West Hartford <http://www.folknotes.org/>
- 02/09 ***Side by Side:*** (860) 868-0740 \$20; \$10 students
 7:00p ***The Waterbury Symphony Orchestra with the ASAP Inter-district Strings Project***
 Come join us as we celebrate the joyous sound of collaboration! Performing for 75 years, the Waterbury Symphony Chamber Orchestra is a powerhouse of Connecticut's best and brightest classical musicians. Playing beside them will be students from ASAP's Inter-district Strings Project, a workshop taught by WSO musicians. From classical to contemporary, this is a concert you will not want to miss!
 Shepaug Valley School Auditorium, 159 South Street
 Washington
- 02/09 ***A Valentine's Dance*** 860-567-1041 \$15
 7-10p Hors d'oeuvres, soda and ice will be provided; if you prefer, BYOB. All proceeds benefit the Shrine.
 Pilgrim Hall at the Shrine of Lourdes in Litchfield, 50 Montfort Road, Rt. 118
 Litchfield [Event Website](#)
- 02/10 ***Evensong*** 860-927-3486 Free
 5:00p Evensong for last Epiphany featuring the St. Andrews Choir under the direction of Tom Holcombe. Most of the service is either chanted or sung in the candlelit church.
 St. Andrews Episcopal Church, Corner US 7 & 341 [Click to Visit](#)
 Kent

- 02/10 **Connecticut Summer Opera Foundation Recital** 203-266-4500 \$20
 3:00p Three accomplished New York City-based musicians will offer a splendid recital of operatic arias and love songs. The recital is a fundraiser for the Woodbury-based non-profit arts organization, Connecticut Summer Opera Foundation (CSOF). Soprano Winnie Nieh and baritone Craig Phillips will be accompanied by pianist Michael Fennelly in a program including works by Purcell, Handel, Mozart, Rossini, Donizetti and Britten. The recital, entitled "Love is in the Aria – An Operatic Valentine" will showcase how vocal music changed and developed over the course of the centuries. Ms. Nieh will also be joined by Woodbury physician and clarinetist Vincent de Luise M.D. in Schubert's delightful "Shepherd on the Rock." North Congregational Church in Woodbury, 11 Main Street North, Woodbury
- 02/10 **Richard Shindell** 860-542-5531 \$30-45
 7:30p Richard Shindell is a meticulous craftsman of song whose six studio albums and one live recording have been revered by critics and fans alike. His songwriting is truly eclectic, ranging from lighthearted ballads and adulterous love songs, to dirges and diatribes that skillfully skewer politics, prejudice, war, and religion. He has a unique ability to morph into the soul of the many and varied personalities he casts as narrators in certain songs — songs that are veritable novellas framed in haunting acoustic melodies. Innovative, original and occasionally spiritual, Shindell's songs weave tales that interchangeably champion the downtrodden, exalt the disaffected or wax empathetic to those lost to society's fringes.
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44 <http://www.infinityhall.com>
 Norfolk
- 02/10 **St. Petersburg String Quartet** 203-426-6470 \$25
 3:00p **with guest David Shifrin, Clarinet**
 You have heard all these artists before and you have asked often to bring them back. We aim to please. Will it be the sublime Mozart Clarinet quintet or Weber or Glazunov or Brahms? They are all fabulous and some things just get better with time..
 Edmond Town Hall, 45 Main Street, <http://newtownfriendsofmusic.org/>
 Newtown
- 02/12 **Open Mic hosted by Chris Ellis** (860) 350 5995 Free?
 8:30p 59 Bank Street
 New Milford
- 02/12 **Spiritual Drumming with Susan Strand** 860-567-3163 \$10
 1-2:30p Experience drumming by becoming part of a sacred circle; learn and play drum rhythms; drum with intentionality and create community. Bring your own drum if you have one. A few drums and many rhythm instruments will be available.
 Wisdom House, 229 East Litchfield Road, <http://www.wisdomhouse.org>
 Litchfield
- 02/13- **Shen Yun Performing Arts** 203.346.2002 \$50-120
 02/14 Inspired by the spirit of an ancient culture, Shen Yun Performing Arts brings to life classical Chinese dance and music in a gloriously colorful and exhilarating show. With an elite company of dancers, singers, and musicians, the New York-based Shen Yun returns to Palace Theater at Waterbury in February, 2013. The company's masterful choreography and graceful routines range from grand classical processions to ethnic and folk dances, with gorgeously costumed dancers moving in stunning synchronized patterns. Its themes are drawn from the pages of history as well as our world today. State-of-the-art backdrops conjure celestial

palaces and pastoral vistas, while groundbreaking music combines the best of Chinese and Western composition. Taking inspiration from ancient heroic legends and modern courageous tales, the breathtaking beauty of Shen Yun Performing Arts is not to be missed. Wed. 7:30p; Thurs 2p & 7:30p
Palace Theater, 100 East Main Street
Waterbury <http://www.palacetheatrect.org/>

02/14 **Open Mic with Eran Troy Danner**
7-10p City Limits, 2627 Thomaston Ave
Waterbury

203-753-2233 Free
<http://www.citylimitsct.com/>

02/14 **Michael Bolton** (203) 438-5795 \$130
6:30p Best Pop Male Artist Grammy Award Winner, Michael Bolton is a sensational vocalist and talented singer-songwriter. He is best known for hits "That's What Love is All About," "How Am I Supposed to Live Without You," and "When a Man Loves a Woman." Michael has sold over 53 million albums and singles and has won countless awards. He has performed with musical icons like Luciano Pavarotti and BB King, and his songs have been recorded and performed by over 100 artists ranging from Kanye West to Mark Anthony. See web page for additional details of the evening.
Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge
Ridgefield <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>

02/14 **Coffeehouse-all night open mic** 203-837-9700 Free/donations
8:00p The coffeehouse will feature an all-night open mic.
Alumni Hall on the university's Midtown campus, 181 White St.
Danbury <http://wcsu.edu/newsevents/events.asp>

02/14 **Duncan Sheik** 860-542-5531 \$39-59
8:00p Duncan Sheik is a Grammy Award and two-time Tony Award winning singer-songwriter and composer. As a solo artist, Duncan's ubiquitous hit "Barely Breathing" spent 55 weeks on the Billboard's Hot 100 Chart and propelled the sales of his Atlantic Records debut to 750,000 copies. As a composer, Sheik again found success with his musical, Spring Awakening which earned 8 Tony Awards, including "Best Musical" and garnered accolades and A+ reviews. Spring Awakening proved influential on Broadway and the New York Times predicted "Broadway, with its often puerile sophistication and its sterile romanticism, may never be the same".
Infinity Hall, Rt. 44
Norfolk <http://www.infinityhall.com>

02/15 **Kent School Chamber Orchestra** 860-927-3486 Free
7:30p Part of St. Andrew's Music in the Nave series.
St. Andrews Episcopal Church, Corner US 7 & 341
Kent [Click to Visit](#)

02/15- **Peter Pan** 203.346.2002 \$50-70
02/17 Tony Award nominee Cathy Rigby takes flight in an all new production of *Peter Pan*! Discover the magic all over again of this two time Emmy Award-winning and two time Tony Award-nominated production. The *New York Times* says "Rigby still carries off the flights, fights and acrobatics that make Peter Pan audiences mesmerized." Peter Pan is filled with timeless magical moments and a captivating hook. The legend you thought you know, is now the adventure you never dreamed possible... Cathy Rigby is *Peter Pan*!
Palace Theater, 100 East Main Street
Waterbury <http://www.palacetheatrect.org/>

- 02/15 ***Friday Feast and Dancing Feet*** 860-567-8302 \$ 7
 12-2p Join us on the third Friday of each month for an afternoon of music by Music Ariborne Duo, food and fun. Enjoy a great meal and music for your listening and dancing pleasure.
 Litchfield Community Center, 421 Bantam Road
 Litchfield
- 02/15 ***Seldom Scene*** 860-542-5531 \$35-50
 8:00p One of the most acclaimed bluegrass bands of all time will bring their warm harmonies and sparkling instrumental work to the acoustically pristine Infinity Hall. With hits such as "A Hundred And Ten In The Shade" and "Walk Through This World With Me," it's no wonder why they are coined "America's Bluegrass Band."
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44 <http://www.infinityhall.com>
 Norfolk
- 02/15 ***Sleeping Beauty*** 860.489.7180 \$ 8
 9:45a Grades K – 5 Family Relationships, Literature-Based, Language/Communication Skills, Musical
 A delightful, original spin on the beloved fairy tale, this magical production of Sleeping Beauty will enchant audiences of all ages as it tells the story of Briar Rose, an disgruntled fairy, good triumphing over evil and the enduring power of love. Written and composed by local couple Barbara and Matthew Valenti and featuring the students of the Warner Theatre Center for Arts Education.
 Warner Theatre, 68 Main Street <http://www.warnertheatre.org>
 Torrington
- 02/15- ***Music and Healing*** 860-567-3163 \$165-265
 02/17 During this retreat, we will learn about why and how sound and music have been used as a healing science and art throughout human history. We will explore the therapeutic power of the elements of music: melody, rhythm, and harmony. Using our own voices, we will experience the natural power of vowels and consonants, learning how to use our voice for self-care. Together we will spend time enjoying the beauty of simple melody, song and chant as profound prayer. No musical experience is required. Musicians are invited to bring their favorite instrument(s). Taught by Melinda Gardiner. Fri. 6pm – Sunday lunch.
 Wisdom House, 229 East Litchfield Road, <http://www.wisdomhouse.org>
 Litchfield
- 02/16 ***Verdi's Rigoletto*** 860.489.7180 \$ 15-25
 1:00p Approx. Runtime: 3:31 **Lecture by: Dr. Marguerite Mullée** Director Michael Mayer has placed his new production of Verdi's towering tragedy in Las Vegas in 1960. In this production, inspired by the antics of the Rat Pack, Piotr Beczala is the womanizing Duke of Mantua, Željko Lucic is his tragic sidekick, Rigoletto, and Diana Damrau is Rigoletto's daughter, Gilda.
 Warner Theatre, 68 Main Street <http://www.warnertheatre.org>
 Torrington
- 02/16 ***Caravan of Thieves*** 203-272-8404 \$18-20
 7:30p If Django Reinhardt, the cast of Stomp and the Beatles all had a party at Tim Burton's house, Caravan of Thieves would be the band they hired. Driving gypsy jazz rhythms, acoustic guitars, upright bass and violin lay the foundation for mesmerizing vocal harmonies and fantastic stories. It's theatrical, humorous, musical and intense, while welcoming spectators to join the band throughout the performance in momentary fits of claps, snaps and sing-alongs.
 The Universalist Church of West Hartford, 433 Fern Street

02/16 ***Jim Mercik & Alvin Carter Sr. / Kent Aldrich*** 203-346-2000 \$15-18

7:30p Roaring Brook presents three highly-talented musicians who will perform a superb split-bill concert for you tonight. Singer-songwriter-guitarist, **Kent Aldrich** leads off with a generous selection of songs from his rich roots music repertoire and stellar cd, *Thanks For Asking*. Dave Van Ronk was so impressed upon hearing Kent perform his original songs, "**Just One Line**," "That Old Moon" and "Pictures & Memories" that he urged him to record them immediately! You'll enjoy his poignant playing and vocals and his offbeat humor as you join him on his audience participation songs, "Giants" and "Nobody Leaves East Hampton."

Songwriter-guitarist **Jim Mercik** has accompanied Eric Andersen, Ramblin' Jack Elliott, Bruce Pratt and Hugh Blumenfeld, he was a member of The Roadbirds, The Strange Rangers and The Congo Square Ramblers and studied guitar with Dave Van Ronk. Singing and playing acoustic, resophonic guitars and banjo, he covers music from Delta Blues to songs by Woody Guthrie, Bob Dylan, Cole Porter and Tom Waits.

Performing with Jim is the amazing percussionist "**Abu**" **Alvin Carter**. His enthusiasm for music, life and peace is unquenchable. Patriarch of a percussion-playing family, he was honored with a "Celebration of Abu" night at RAW in 2010. Abu's masterful lead and support drumming and his radiant good-vibe personality make every performance memorable. Song highlights may include "Buddy Bolden's Blues," "Buckets of Rain," "St. James Infirmary" and Jim's original "Is This Enough For You?" found in The Smithsonian Folkways Collection

Roaring Brook Nature Center, 70 Gracey Road
Canton

<http://www.roaringbrookconcerts.org/>

02/16 ***The Official Blues Brothers Revue*** (203) 438-5795 \$50

8:00p The only show sanctioned by Dan Akroyd and The Belushi Estate. Playing all of the classics like "Soul Man," "Rubber Biscuit," "Sweet Home Chicago," "Rawhide," and "Gimme Some Lovin," this live concert show combines the comedy and hits from the original movie, and pays homage to Chicago's rich history of blues, gospel and soul music. Jake, Elwood and the band hit the right balance of humor, music and mayhem. Upbeat and uplifting, The Blues Brothers® Revue is fun for all ages!

The Official Blues Brothers Revue recreates the live concert experience, integrating the humor and songs from the original film and subsequent albums. Produced by Judy Belushi Pisano and Dan Aykroyd, the Revue pays homage to Chicago's rich history of blues, soul music and gospel in the true spirit of the original Blues Brothers. Under the musical direction of Paul Shaffer, Jake, Elwood and the high-energy eight-piece Intercontinental Rhythm & Blues Revue Band lay down a big sound, performed with the passion and precision of the original Blues Brothers. Fun for all ages, The Official Blues Brothers Revue strikes the right balance of humor, music and mayhem featuring Wayne Catania and Kieron Lafferty as Jake and Elwood.

The characters of Jake and Elwood Blues, created by John Belushi and Dan Aykroyd in 1978, were initially imagined as frontmen for a fictitious American blues and soul band. Since their film debut in 1980, the irreverent characters have resonated with people around the world and the Blues Brothers have catapulted into a cultural phenomenon and musical, comedic, and cinematic legend.

Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge
Ridgefield

<http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>

02/16 ***HeartThrobs (Joe Icons & Family)*** \$100

6:00p Joe Iconis and his family of musical theatre hooligans return to TriArts for a Valentine's concert. Get ready for a sort-of-romantic evening of Mr. Iconis's original musical theater songs as well as classic love songs, obscure hate songs, and maybe even a sing-along or two! This is rambunctious musical theatre that is fun, wild, a little raunchy, completely heartfelt, and thoroughly modern. Exploding hearts, whiskey shots, and general mayhem will abound!

TriArts Bok Gallery, 49 Amenia Road
Sharon

- 02/16- ***Sleeping Beauty*** 860.489.7180 \$ 15
02/17 Written by local composers and writers Matthew and Barbara Valenti, and featuring the students of the Warner Theatre Center for Arts Education and performers from the Warner Stage Company, this charming musical is a fresh spin on the beloved classic fairy tale. A sweeping adventure rich with comedy and intrigue, illustrating that love can triumph over evil!
Warner Theatre, 68 Main Street <http://www.warnertheatre.org>
Torrington
- 02/17 ***An Afternoon of Romantic Music with the Appollinaire Duo*** 860-824-2637 Free
3:00p Daniel Corr and Gretchen Frazier are the Appollinaire Duo, performing Romantic music for the duo.
Geer Village, 77 South Canaan Road [Click to Visit](#)
North Canaan
- 02/17 ***The Sounds of Frank –*** 860-542-5531 \$35-50
2:00p ***The ultimate tribute to the ultimate crooner, Frank Sinatra***
The Sounds of Frank will take you back to the glory days of music, when the emotion and expression of great songs really mattered. Close your eyes and suspend reality for a moment and you will literally hear Frank's inflections and emotions in John's voice. All the songs are both sung and performed with integrity and honesty, just as Frank and his band performed them. Fronted by the incredibly talented John Cooper, The Sounds of Frank is a professional 6-piece instrumental and vocal group performing some of the best hits made famous by "old blue eyes." The group is, perhaps, the region's most genuine musical tribute to Frank and his music.
Infinity Hall, Rt. 44 <http://www.infinityhall.com>
Norfolk
- 02/17 ***Verdi's Rigoletto- The Met in HD*** (203) 438-5795 \$25
1 & 6 Director Michael Mayer has placed his new production of Verdi's towering tragedy in Las Vegas in 1960. In this production, inspired by the antics of the Rat Pack, Piotr Beczala is teh womanizing Duke of Mantua, Željko Lucic is his tragic sidekick, Rigoletto, and Diana Damrau is Rigoletto's daughter, Gilda
Running Time: 3 hrs, 31 min.
Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>
Ridgefield
- 02/17 ***Tab Benoit*** 860-542-5531 \$30-45
7:30p Tab Benoit is a Cajun man who's definitely got the blues. A guitar player since his teenage years, he learned the Blues first-hand by playing alongside Tabby Thomas, Raful Neal, Henry Gray and other high-profile blues legends. He plays a style that is a combination of Swamp blues, Soul blues and Chicago blues. "Almost nobody can beat Tab Benoit for playing raw, dirty-sounding roadhouse blues. There is something about when he gets to rocking that gets everybody going in the way the best blues and rock 'n' roll should...." – OffBeat. Winner of both the 2007 B.B. King Entertainer of the Year and Best Contemporary Male Performer at the Blues Music Awards, this is a show for anyone who loves great blues guitar music
Infinity Hall, Rt. 44 <http://www.infinityhall.com>
Norfolk

- 02/19 ***Open Mic hosted by Chris Ellis*** (860) 350 5995 Free?
 8:30p 59 Bank Street
 New Milford
- 02/21 ***Open Mic with Eran Troy Danner*** 203-753-2233 Free
 7-10p City Limits, 2627 Thomaston Ave
 Waterbury
<http://www.citylimitsct.com/>
- 02/21 ***The Alternate Routes*** 860-542-5531 \$20-30
 8:00p These guys are no strangers to the Infinity Stage. These talented musicians have received national radio play over the past two years and have toured all over. The Alternate Routes' name suits them well. They're a band that's never really fit in — in a good way. Without a definitive genre to reference or an established scene to rally behind them, they've been something of a rogue wave in an ocean of bands. They built a fan base the old fashioned way, by driving around the country in a big, white Ford Econoline van, winning crowds over one-person-at-a-time with solid, catchy songs and an explosive live show. Since their genesis in 2004, co-founders Tim Warren (vocals, acoustic guitar) and Eric Donnelly (lead guitar) have taken their group through the dizzying heights and frustrating lows of the modern music industry, and have learned some valuable lessons along the way.
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44
 Norfolk
<http://www.infinityhall.com>
- 02/21 ***Coffeehouse- The Sea The Sea*** 203-837-9700 Free/donations
 8:00p Coffeehouse includes open mic performers at 8p followed by the featured act, The Sea The Sea, at 9 p.m.
 Alumni Hall on the university's Midtown campus, 181 White St.
 Danbury
<http://wcsu.edu/newsevents/events.asp>
- 02/21- ***Jeffrey Engel's "Sextets: The Musical Kind" lecture*** (860) 567-8302 ?
 02/28 Music for 6 instruments, from the familiar to the less familiar. Presented by Jeffrey Engel. Light
 10:30- refreshments will be served. Reservations required before Feb. 18.
 noon Litchfield Community Center, 421 Bantam Road
 Litchfield
- 02/22 ***Ben Taylor with Jeff Leblanc*** 860-542-5531 \$30-45
 8:00p Ben is a gifted young artist. He's written a pile of great songs. He has a way with melody and a mastery of the understated lyric. He's got a voice that lingers in the air--tuneful, expressive, the kind of voice that makes its impact with the smallest turn of a whispered phrase. Under normal circumstances, He's got all it takes to make an impression. Some might say you're even a candidate for stardom. But Ben Taylor's circumstance is far from normal. His parents--father James Taylor, mother Carly Simon--are giants of popular music. And with that lineage come the expectations that make ANOTHER RUN AROUND THE SUN a milestone as well as a masterwork. Of course, there was never any pressure from his family to match their achievements--no pressure, that is, except from Ben himself. And when his sound began to evolve, and invariably it showed signs of influence from those who were closest to him, he found himself at a crossroads that most artists never have to visit. His choice was whether to deny his birthright, to pack up his music and take it somewhere else for reasons that have nothing to do with the music itself. Or he could stake his claim on the family land, sing and play the way he wanted to, and against all odds stand as an artist with unique qualities of his own. We think he made the RIGHT choice!
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44
 Norfolk
<http://www.infinityhall.com>

- 02/22 ***Jazz Orchestra, Ensemble & Frankensax Concert*** 203-837-9700 Free/donations
 8:00p Featured will be Frankensax, conducted by Andrew Beals; the WCSU Jazz Ensemble, conducted by Dave Scott; and the WCSU Jazz Orchestra, conducted by Jamie Begian.
 Ives Concert Hall on the university's Midtown campus, 181 White St.
 Danbury <http://wcsu.edu/newsevents/events.asp>
- 02/22- ***Student Choreographed Dance Concert*** (860) 435-2591 Free
 02/23 Hotchkiss School, Walker Auditorium
 7:30p Lakeville
- 02/22- ***Adrift In Macao*** 860-350-6863 \$ 28
 03/13 Nominated for the Drama Desk Award for Best Music, *Adrift in Macao* is a hilarious musical parody of
 7-9p classic film noir movies. Everyone who comes to Macao, China in 1952 is waiting for something, and though none of them knows exactly what that is, they hang around to find out. The characters include your film noir standards, like Laureena, the curvaceous blonde, who luckily bumps into Rick Shaw, the cynical surf-and-turf casino owner her first night in town. Then along comes Mitch, the American who has just been framed for murder by the mysterious villain "McGuffin." With songs and quips, puns and farcical shenanigans, this musical parody is bound to please audiences of all ages.
 Theater Works, 5 Brookside Ave <http://www.theatreworks.us/>
 New Milford
- 02/23 ***Drum Workshop*** (860)868-0518 \$150
 11-2p *The most important Native American instrument was and still is the drum...it is the heartbeat of Mother Earth. Allan Madahbee, Ojibway artist and musician*, will instruct participants in making their own single-face drum while sharing the importance of the drum in Native American culture. Ages 12 and up. **CT Educators may earn 0.3 CEUS.** Reservations and a \$50 nonrefundable deposit required by Feb. 9
 The Institute for American Indian Studies Museum and Research Center, 38 Curtis Road
 Washington
- 02/23 ***World Percussion Music with Terra Coda*** (860) 567-8302 \$18; \$8 children
 7:00p Featured artists are John Marshall, Mark Ingram, Andrew Parker, Randy Steward, and Rick Quintanal.
 Litchfield Community Center, 421 Bantam Road [Click to Visit](#)
 Litchfield
- 02/23 ***Jim Weider's PRoJECT PERCoLAToR*** 860-542-5531 \$45-65
 8:00p ***with Garth Hudson (members of the Legendary group, THE BAND)***
 Jim Weider, former member of the legendary group "THE BAND" is a Master of classic Telecaster Guitar. ProJECT PERCoLAToR represents Jim's newest musical venture into a powerful groove & atmospheric guitar driven band. GARTH HUDSON has recorded and performed with many artists.
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44 <http://www.infinityhall.com>
 Norfolk
- 02/23 ***Old Time Music Jam and Family Dance*** 203-272-8404 \$8 – 20family max
 7:30p Join the jam from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. and then return later for an old-fashioned family dance at 7:00 p.m. Musicians at the jam session are more than welcome to join the band and play for the family dance ... or just dance! Reel the set, form a square, dance in a circle with everyone there, young and old, short and tall, couples, singles, families, all! Folk dances all taught and called, no experience needed - learn as you go!
 The Universalist Church of West Hartford, 433 Fern Street
 West Hartford <http://www.folknotes.org/>

- 02/23 **Ed Gerhard** 203-346-2000 \$20-25
 7:30p Grammy Award-winning guitarist **Ed Gerhard** returns with his immaculate tone and "singing guitar" style to perform tunes from his phenomenal new studio album, **There and Gone**. With his original works "On a Pennsylvania Hill," "Kept Walking" and "Brothers," he is a reflective impressionist, suggesting loss and remembrance, change and discovery and paying tribute through celebration. It's always great to hear melodies we know well take on new life through Ed's interpretive talent. Breathtaking examples from **There and Gone** include "Heart Like A Wheel," "Killing the Blues," "I'm So Lonesome I Could Cry" and his marvelous medley of "Imagine/ Across the Universe." His fingerstyle playing of 6 and 12-string and Hawaiian lap style and blues slide guitars has made him a favorite at festivals in North America, Ireland, Europe and Japan. Ed's music graces Ken Burns' PBS productions The National Parks and Mark Twain. Roaring Brook Nature Center, 70 Gracey Road <http://www.roaringbrookconcerts.org/>
 Canton
- 02/23 **The Sonny & Cher Show** 203.346.2002 \$45-65
 7:30p Go back in time to the 1970s with this dazzling musical and comedy tribute to "The Sonny & Cher Show!" Gregorio Malonte and Lisa Carter recreate the magic of one of Hollywood's most iconic couples with live vocal impersonations, Vegas style production numbers and Bob Mackie inspired costumes. Come and enjoy a fun filled night of nostalgia...The Beat Goes on Forever with The Sonny and Cher Show! Palace Theater, 100 East Main Street <http://www.palacetheatrect.org/>
 Waterbury
- 02/24 **Roy Clark** 860-542-5531 \$70-90
 7:30p Throughout his illustrious career, Roy has performed around the world. Believing that music can bridge continents, he has taken his message of goodwill to many countries. Roy hosted the popular TV show, HEE HAW, for 25 years. Roy's achievements are breathtaking. Roy Clark's Grammy-winning virtuosity is showcased in his concerts. Through the years, Roy has recorded a string of hits, including, "Honeymoon Feeling", "The Tips of My Fingers", "Thank God and Greyhound You're Gone", "Come Live With Me" ... but perhaps he is best associated with the stirring, "Yesterday When I Was Young" and his own 12-string guitar version of "Malaguena". Infinity Hall, Rt. 44 <http://www.infinityhall.com>
 Norfolk
- 02/26 **Open Mic hosted by Chris Ellis** (860) 350 5995 Free?
 8:30p 59 Bank Street
 New Milford
- 02/27- **Spring Awakening** 203-837-8273 \$
 03/03 The WCSU departments of Theatre Arts and Music will present "Spring Awakening". Berkshire Hall on the university's Midtown campus, 181 White St. <http://wcsu.edu/newsevents/events.asp>
 Danbury
- 02/28 **Open Mic with Eran Troy Danner** 203-753-2233 Free
 7-10p City Limits, 2627 Thomaston Ave <http://www.citylimitsct.com/>
 Waterbury
- 02/28 **Indigo Girls** (203) 438-5795 \$70

8:00p The American folk rock music duo consisting of Amy Ray and Emily Saliers, The Indigo Girls met in elementary school and began performing together as high school students in Decatur, Georgia and as students at Emory University at The Dugout, a bar in the Emory Village. They soon released a self-produced, full-length record album in 1987, contracted with a major record company in 1988 and released nine albums to now, with hits such as "Closer to Fine." Now, having resumed to self-producing albums with their own IG Recordings company, the girls are back and better than ever!
Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>
Ridgefield

02/28 ***Sister Sparrow and The Dirty Birds***

860-542-5531

\$30-45

8:00p Sister Sparrow & The Dirty Birds is a nine piece powerhouse that delivers a blend of gut-busting soul, earthy rock, and New Orleans-inspired beats. Front woman Arleigh Kincheloe's powerful voice is ten times her size and mature beyond her 22 years; delivering her seductive lyrics with an electric stage presence. Sister Sparrow is backed by a heavyweight horn section, soaring guitar, and shredding harmonica - all laid over a funky, thundering bass and drum lock-up. The band's infectious energy and huge sound generates ecstatic crowds and packs dance floors night after night. Seeing them perform is an experience that will not be forgotten. This band will remind you why you love music.
Infinity Hall, Rt. 44 <http://www.infinityhall.com>
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